METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ONLINE COMMUNICATION
BETWEEN A CHECK SORTER AND A CHECK PROCESSING SYSTEM

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A system for handling checks is provided that includes
a sorter operable to retrieve MICR data from a plurality of
checks.   An emulator is coupled to the sorter.   The
emulator is operable to access the MICR data, to generate
a process buffer based on the MICR data, and to generate a
plurality of feature instructions for each check based on
the process buffer.   A communication engine is coupled
between the emulator and a check processing system.   The
communication engine is operable to communicate between the
emulator and the check processing system in real-time.   The
check processing system is operable to receive the process
buffer from the emulator through the communication engine.
The emulator is further operable to communicate the
feature instructions to the sorter.   The sorter is further
operable to process the checks based on the feature
instructions.